

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strike through~~.

Please REPLACE the paragraphs beginning at page 1, line 12 through page 3, line 12, with the following paragraphs:

Conventionally, various methods of efficiently delivering data resources (hereinafter referred to simply as "resources") such as software ~~program~~programs, data, etc. to a terminal device have been suggested, and ~~have been~~ put to practical use.

For example, a method (Japanese Patent Publication No. 7-21100) of reducing the number of terminal devices which cannot receive resources by repeatedly broadcasting resources to ~~a plurality of~~ terminal devices from a delivering source system ~~plural~~several times, a method (Japanese Patent Publication No. 9-146858) of generating a terminal device list for reaching a terminal device to which resources have to be delivered by referring to a relay information entered in advance, and sequentially transferring the list with the resources to an adjacent relay system, etc. are well known.

However, in the method described in these publications, the configuration in which a mobile terminal (portable handy information communications terminal) is used as a destination terminal device to which resources are to be delivered ~~does not takes~~has not been taken into account.

A method of delivering resources to a mobile terminal can be, for example, a system (Japanese Patent Publication No. 9-245666) of receiving resources from a delivering source system through a relay device when ~~a plurality of~~ relay devices exist between the delivering source system and a mobile terminal, and the mobile terminal enters a radio area of any relay system, etc.

However, ~~in the method in which~~when it is not considered that a destination terminal device to which resources are to be delivered is a mobile terminal, the following problem occurs when the terminal device moves.

Basically, since a resource delivering route is predetermined such that the optimum resource delivery can be attained between a source system and a destination terminal device ~~in a case where~~when the destination terminal device is connected to a network at a predetermined location, the resource delivering efficiency is lowered if the terminal device is moved to another location.

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In a system where a ~~plurality of several~~ relay devices exist between a delivering source system and a destination terminal device, ~~the function of recognizing it has not been possible to recognize~~ onto which relay device the resources requested by a user of the destination terminal device has been downloaded has not been provided even on the assumption that the terminal device can select an available relay device. Therefore, the destination terminal sometimes can not receive the resources.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 19, with the following paragraph:

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The resource delivering method according to the present invention is used in a system where a plurality of relay devices exist between a delivering source device which delivers resources and a terminal device which receives the resources, ~~comprises:~~ The method includes: notifying from the terminal device to the delivering source device of the information specifying a relay device for receiving the resources delivered from the delivering device, delivering the resources from the delivering source device to the relay device specified by the notification, and delivering the resources from the relay device to the terminal device according to an ~~accessed~~ access by the terminal device.

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Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 19, with the following paragraph:

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In addition, the terminal device can specify a ~~plurality of several~~ relay devices. In this case, since the resources are delivered to a ~~plurality of the~~ specified relay devices, the terminal device can receive desired resources from any relay device in among the ~~plurality of~~ terminal devices. When one of the ~~plurality of~~ relay devices delivers the resources to the terminal device, the relay device notifies other relay devices that the resources have been delivered. Therefore, each relay device can discard unnecessary resources according to the notification.
